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This bill raises the required age, from four to eight, up to which children must be transported using a child passenger restraint system.

It also amends the penalty for violation of this provision, so that the fine (of up to \$50) must be waived if the vehicle operator shows that a passenger restraint system was purchased within 14 days of the violation. Currently, the fine may be waived or reduced, but such reductions are not required.

The bill is effective August 1, 2007.